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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

TURCO-BALKAN WAR. A SERIOUS DEVELOPMENT.

AUSTRIA AND ALLIES DISPUTING.
LONDON, March 21.
The "Times" Salonika correspondent telegraphs that a Serbo-Greek armada, comprising sixteen transports and conveying thirty-six siege and other cannon along with 18,000 Serbian infantry with divisional staff sailed on March 17 for San Giovanni and Durrës.

AUSTRIA AND MONTENEGRO.
The Vienna newspapers state that Austria demands from Montenegro permission for non-combatants to leave Skutari; an inquiry in the presence of the Austrian Consul, on the assassination of a priest near Dja-kova, the immediate discontinuance of forcible conversions of Roman Catholic Albanians to Orthodoxy; and full satisfaction for the forcible employment of the Skodra in blinding Serbian troops at San Giovanni.

A DENIAL.
It is semi-officially denied in Rome that Italy is joining Austria in a naval demonstration along the coasts of Montenegro and Albania.

A GREEK VICTORY.
Reuter's Athens correspondent states that the Greeks have occupied Tepini, seventy-five miles south-east of Durazzo.

SEVERE FIGHTING AT CHATALJA.

Reuter's Sofia correspondent says that there has been further severe fighting at Chatalja, two Turkish divisions attacking the Bulgarian left and centre. They were repulsed, and left five hundred dead and wounded on the field. The attack was renewed in the evening on the left, but was repulsed.

A telegram from Sofia states that five divisions of Turks at Chatalja with artillery and cavalry, in attempting to advance, supported by warships, were routed with heavy loss. Two battalions were isolated and driven to the seashore, where a portion escaped in ships at night.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

No reply is expected from the Balkan Allies for some days, because the necessary communications have to pass between them. Meanwhile, informal advice is being given at the Balkan capitals.

FRESH ANXIETY.

The movements of Austrian warships has attracted some attention in London, but it is declared authoritatively that no new situation has arisen to occasion fresh anxiety.

A later telegram states that despite reassuring statements from high quarters in London, it is an undoubted fact that the Austro-Hungarian Minister at Cetinje was ordered to remonstrate concerning the alleged forcible wholesale conversions of Catholics at Djakovica to Orthodoxy, the seizure of the steamer "Skodra" at San Giovanni and the damage to Austrian property at Skutari.

FEELING IN AUSTRIA.

Reuter's Vienna correspondent states that the newspapers there are giving prominence to the reports of the damage to Austrian property at Skutari, though it is admitted that it occurred a fortnight ago. It appears also that some Austrian ship was searched and interfered with by Servians at San Giovanni.

ULTIMATUM FROM AUSTRIA EXPECTED.

Reuter's Vienna correspondent announces that Montenegro has refused to allow non-combatants to leave Skutari, though it has been promised that in future the fire of the Montenegrin artillery will be directed only at the fortifications and not at buildings. This reply is considered as inadequate. The reply is equally unsatisfactory with reference to the other demands.

The despatch of an ultimatum is expected.

UNITED STATES AND THE SIX POWERS' LOAN.

LONDON, March 20.
The American group of bankers interested in the China Loan has issued a statement announcing the entire withdrawal from the Chinese loan negotiations.

UNITED STATES AND CHINA.

LONDON, March 20.
A message from Washington states that diplomats consider that President Wilson's declaration with regard to the Chinese loan foreshadows the official recognition of the Chinese Republic by the Government at any early date.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE MURDERED KING. EXAMINATION OF ASSASSINATOR.

LONDON, March 20.
The examination of the regicide lasted all night long but did not elicit any evidence that he had accomplices. Schinas, who was formerly a teacher in Athens where he is imputed to be the author of the assassination, had been living in a state of mendicancy, delivering socialistic harangues as he travelled from Athens towards Salonika. When asked the reason for the assassination, he said that he had to do something as he suffered from neurasthenia.

KING CONSTANTINE'S MESSAGE.

King Constantine, in a message to the Greek people, announces his succession. He states that he devoted his whole life to the army. The wars, unsuccessful and successful, indissolubly bound him to it, marching as he did at its head, and he would not cease to devote the whole of his solicitude to the land and sea forces.

CONDOLENCE OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LATER.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith moved a resolution of condolence with King Constantine, the Government, and the people of Greece; also with King George and Queen Alexandra. In doing so the Premier said the world was shocked by another purposeless crime inflicting bereavement and sorrow upon millions of mankind. It was especially pathetic that the King was struck down when seeing the realisation of some cherished hopes, and had no reason to fear violence from his subjects. Mr. Asquith concluded that Britain had special reasons for associating herself in the grief of the Greek nation.

BRITISH ARMY ESTIMATES.

STATEMENT BY COLONEL SEELY.
LONDON, March 20.
Dealing with the regular army, Colonel Seely spoke highly of the efficiency of each branch and also of the health of the army. He regretted the shortage of 16 per cent. in the Territorials, but in the opinion of the Government, the Committee of Imperial Defence, and of all experts he could consult the danger of immediate overwhelming invasion or a blow at the heart was not one we need fear. Therefore it was impossible to go to the country and say as in other countries "unless the gap be filled you are in imminent danger of disaster." Moreover, 105,000 Territorials left on the termination of their engagements as efficient soldiers and they would be anxious to rejoin in time of national danger. The deficiency was not sufficient in any wise to justify a compulsory scheme. There had been, however, many changes and new factors since the question of invasion was last considered, and Mr. Asquith had therefore decided to appoint another committee of the Committee of Imperial Defence to reconsider the whole matter. He had also decided to invite a man pre-eminent among those who make this subject their own, namely, Mr. Balfour, to join the committee. Mr. Balfour had accepted and was now conversant with the preliminary investigations which were proceeding. Every one, especially Ministerialists, owed Mr. Balfour a great debt of gratitude for his patriotic and unselfish spirit, in consenting to this new departure of a political opponent sitting on the Imperial Defence Committee on a matter of vital National and Imperial importance. He proposed to remedy the dwindling of the number of promotions from the ranks due to the inability of a promoted ranker to live on his pay by increasing the pay to officers in the intermediate ranks after six years' service, but he proposed to promote specially selected men from the ranks after three years' service, granting them a special allowance of £50 per annum in the first three years after promotion. The rank of second lieutenant would be abolished. The increases of pay are as follows: Lieutenant, 2/9 per day; Captain, after twelve years' service, 2/6; Major, after twenty-four years' service, 2/6. The promotions of rankers would be from among men nominated by their commanding officers and after an examination similar to the special reserve. It was believed they would thus obtain men of great value to the army. The change would cost £100,000 to £150,000 annually.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

MORE SUFFRAGETTE DESTRUCTION. A WIDOW'S MANSION BURNED.

LONDON, March 21.
The mansion of Englefield Green, near Staines, has been destroyed by fire. It belonged to the widow of the late Field Marshal White. Lady White is at present in France.

Papers found bore the words: "Cease torturing our comrades in prison" and "Votes for women." The damage is estimated at £4000. It is believed that the women entered by means of skeleton keys, and saturated the staircase with paraffin.

CANADA'S NAVAL BILL.

LONDON, March 21.
A telegram from Ottawa states that the Naval Bill has been postponed until after Easter. All welcome the release from the continuous sittings. It is understood that the Opposition are determined not to yield and are hoping to be able to force a dissolution.

FRENCH POLITICS.

DETENTE CABINET BEING FORMED.

LONDON, March 21.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that M. Barthou is forming a detente Cabinet on condition that the Three Years' Service Bill will remain irrevocable. He will endeavour to induce the Cabinet to accept the principle of the representation of minorities and to consider the method of carrying into effect the spirit of conciliation and compromise.

PRINCE OF WALES IN GERMANY.

LONDON, March 21.
Reuter's Coblenz correspondent states that the Prince of Wales motored to the famous National monument at Niederwald, and afterwards proceeded to Wiesbaden, where he will make a two days' stay.

DEATH OF A COMPOSER.

LONDON, March 21.
The death is announced of the Welsh harpist and composer, Mr. John Thomas.

ANOTHER SYDNEY STRIKE.

LONDON, March 21.
Reuter's Sydney correspondent states that the ferry employees have struck owing to the delay of the Wages Board in dealing with claims. They also demand a forty-eight hours' week. The harbour traffic in the northern suburbs has been held up.

FRENCH POLITICAL CRISIS.

LONDON, March 20.
The French Cabinet crisis is most serious, as it has thrown the Senate and the Chamber into conflict. The latter has repeatedly declared in favour of proportional representation.

GERMAN AIRSHIP WRECKED.

LONDON, March 20.
The newest German military Zeppelin has been destroyed by a gale after landing at Karlsruhe. This was the ship that was supposed to have made the surreptitious trip to England.

CHINESE NEWS.

PEKING, March 20.
The opening of Parliament has been fixed for April 6.

It is reported that four divisions of Russian troops are proceeding to Sinkian and Ho, and that Chinese troops in Hartou have been instructed to prepare for the defensive.

Three thousand Mongolian troops from Urga are reported to be marching South along the banks of the river.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE AMERICA CUP. SIR THOMAS LIPTON'S CHALLENGE.

LONDON, March 21.
Reuter's New York correspondent telegraphs that the Ulster Club has requested re-consideration of Sir Thomas Lipton's America Cup challenge.

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The numbers chosen for presentation last evening comprised the greater portions of parts two and three of the oratorio, and, frankly speaking, the performance was rather disappointing. Neither the soloists nor the choir seemed to appreciate sufficiently the grandeur of the music, with the result that most of the numbers were colourless. The choir acquitted themselves better than the soloists, on the whole, but co-sidering their numerical strength there was considerable room for improvement in their singing. One of the most noticeable faults was hesitancy of attacks, which was responsible to a large extent for faulty enunciation of the opening bars of most of the concerted numbers. When these faults were overcome a nice volume of sound was produced, and there was some good tone, but had it been under better control the effect would have been enhanced.

The soloists were Mrs. Dealy (contralto), Mr. J. W. White (tenor), Master T. Martin (treble), Mrs. Hepper and Miss White (soprano), Mr. R. E. White (bass).

The selections were preceded by a pleasing interpretation by Mr. Fuller of "Easter Hymns," a beautiful organ piece, "Regium Aeternam."

The offertory was for the organ fund.

THE PORT OF LONDON.

EFFECT OF LABOUR TROUBLES ON TRADE.

The third annual report of the Port of London Authority for the year ended March 31 last states that the trade of the Port during the year, although in excess of that of the previous year, was adversely affected by the serious labour disturbances, in which the Port was involved in August 1911.

Some idea of the disturbance caused by the labour disputes may be gathered from the fact that, whilst the first four months from April to July yielded an increase of 323,240 tons over the corresponding period, there was a decrease of 488,718 tons in the month of August.

The decrease was, however, recouped by the end of October, and by the end of February a continuing expansion of the figures gave an increase of 381,083 tons.

In the month of March the coal strike took place, with the result that a heavy fall of 281,149 tons occurred, and the net gain of the year was reduced to 99,883 tons.

The shipping using the wet dock, and paying dock dues reached the record total of 11,081,734 tons, an increase of 208,690 tons on the previous year, but the shipping entering the dry docks (2,158,073 tons gross) represented a fall of 77,222 tons.

In consequence of the strikes these docks were partially idle during August, and entirely so during September. The effect on the tonnage is further indicated by the figures, which, to the end of July, showed an increase of 38,331 tons, whereas by the end of September there was a decrease of 248,995 tons.

The values of the total imports (excluding coastwise goods) of the United Kingdom and six leading ports for the year ended December 31 were as follows:—

| | 1911. | 1910. |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| United Kingdom | 1,297,038,950 | 1,212,402,841 |
| London | 368,292,536 | 360,300,903 |
| Liverpool | 336,435,017 | 340,070,088 |
| Hull | 71,463,077 | 73,234,653 |
| Manchester (including Buncorn) | 54,143,473 | 47,434,308 |
| Southampton | 47,216,924 | 45,825,527 |
| Glasgow | 47,135,993 | 44,084,122 |

During the 12 months ended March 31, 1912, the Authority landed or received 2,192,004 tons of import goods for warehousing or for immediate delivery, as compared with 2,119,886 tons so dealt with during the previous 12 months, an increase of 72,118 tons.

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| NILE | May 14 | June 17 | June 27 |
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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, BRUSSELS, LONDON AND STRAIT.

THE Steamship.

BENEFIT.

Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at the wharves into the hands of the consignees, and that the consignees are to be held responsible for the goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst. against the steamship company.

No claims will be admitted after the 30th inst. against the steamship company.

All claims against the steamship company must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 30th inst. at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1913.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS & MANILA.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo per Steamship.

MONGOLIA.

The above mentioned steamship having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading to the consignees, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from the wharves.

Cargo remaining on board after FRIDAY, March 22nd, 1913, at noon will be subject to landing and storage charges. No Insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined in the above Company's Godown on TUESDAY, March 26th, 1913, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to consignees, and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before April 14th, 1913, otherwise they will not be recognized.

ERED J. HAYTON, Agent.

Hongkong, March 19, 1913.

'MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP CHAISE.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the 30th inst. against the steamship company, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamship company must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th inst. at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, March 19, 1913.

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS.

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE.

THE S.S. DONALDSON having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Holt's Wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

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